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TO WHOM IT CONCERNS:

I am writing in regards to the **BMI/ASCAP Consent Decree** issue that has arisen over the last few months. First of all, I am all in favor of Artists being paid for their work, but I believe it should be a fair amount. The current proposal goes way beyond what is fair and equitable payment. By expanding the definition of what is subject to charge, such as Concessions and other items, in addition to the rate increase is over-reach.

They are painting all performance venues with the same brush. You cannot equate Madison Square Garden with a small performing arts theatre such as ours. The economics of being able to afford to present non-Superstar acts is already hanging by a thread.

I plead that you take into consideration those of us that provide valuable artistic entertainment to the small communities throughout the country.

Sincerely,
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